

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF WYOMING

GEORGE JAMES,

Plaintiff,

vs.

MACHOL & JOHANNES, LLC, and
JANAE RUPPERT, individually,

Defendants.

Case No. 2:16-CV-0144-SWS

ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES

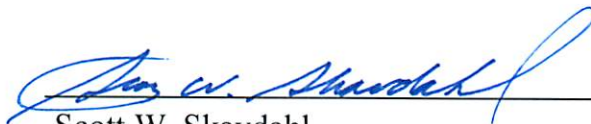
This matter comes before the Court on *Defendants' Request for Attorneys' Fees* (ECF No. 27). The Court previously entered an Order granting Defendants' motion for summary judgment and awarding Defendants attorneys' fees and costs pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1692k(a)(3) which provides: "On a finding by the court that an action under this section was brought in bad faith and for the purpose of harassment, the court may award to the defendant attorney's fees reasonable in relation to the work expended and costs." *See Order Granting Motion for Summary Judgment* (ECF No. 25). Based on the circumstances and history of this case, the Court so found and directed Defendants to file a Bill of Costs and separate request for a specified amount of attorney's fees, supported by detailed and contemporaneous time records, affidavits and other evidence showing the amount of time spent on the case, the hourly fee claimed by the attorney and the hourly fee usually charged by the attorney, if this differs from the amount claimed in the case.

In compliance with the Court's *Order*, Defendants filed the present request. Plaintiff has failed to file any objections, or otherwise respond, to Defendants' fee request, despite the Court's warning that failure to timely file an objection to the request shall constitute a waiver thereof unless the Court grants relief from the waiver upon good cause shown. (*Order* at 12.)

Upon review of Defendants' submissions in support of their request for attorneys' fees, the Court finds the amount claimed to be reasonable in relation to the work expended. THEREFORE, it is hereby

ORDERED that *Defendants' Request for Attorneys' Fees* (ECF No. 27) is GRANTED and Defendants are entitled to recover attorneys' fees from Plaintiff in the amount of \$7,506.75.

Dated this 13th day of April, 2017.



Scott W. Skavdahl
United States District Judge